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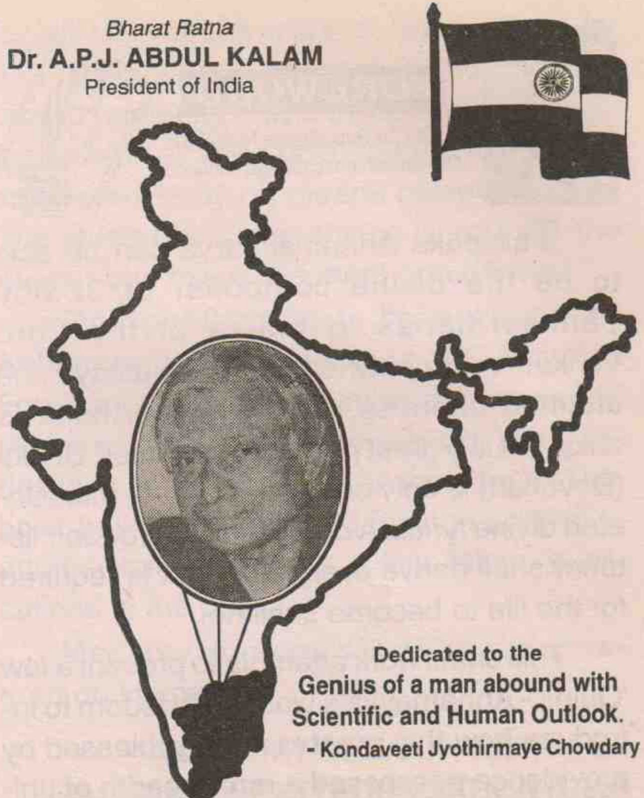
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# FOREWORD

Om Sri Venkatesaya Namaha !
Om Sri Annamacharyaya Namaha !!



Tallapaka Annamacharya can be said to be the divine composer of 32,000 Sankeerthanas in praise of the Lord Venkateswara in whom, as legend says , he attained oneness. Each sankeerthana is unique. It is a great philosophy by itself. Bhakti (Devotion) is only one aspect of the multifaceted divine lyrics. A conscientious reader/ listener shall derive everything that is required for the life to become sublime.

This small work attempts to present a few 'Quips'- Annamayya's words of wisdom to introduce how this great visionary, blessed by providence possessed a rare breadth of universal outlook. Real devotion to Lord is 'Love for all', Righteous ways of living,' 'Care for nature, animals & under previleged' and 'Service to humanity'. His sankeerthanas preach these ethical and social values to us. This small work is by no means comprehensive. The study of his preachings is endless 'the deeper one dives, the more one derives'.

This publication is brought out by Annamayya Kalapeetam and Kondaveeti Foundation as a part of 'Intintaa Annamayya' (Annamayya at every Household) print series with an aim to reach all the people. This book has been published Bi-lingual which is another milestone after a few Telugu publications in the past.

May Lord Srinivasa's blessings be showered on Humanity.

**- ANNAMAYYA KALAPEETAM &**
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Kondaveeti Jyothirmaye Chowdary is setting a new trend in the fields of Music, Spirituality and Service with the motto: 'Arts are for the welfare of the people'; While scaling newer heights as classical singer of Annamacharya sankeerthanas, she is taking a lead role in service activities.

Promoting Annamacharya sankeerthanas does not mean simply giving concerts! She is trying to unravel many subtle aspects such as social - consciousness, social- ethics etc besides the Spiritual aspects in Annamayya, the divine composer.

Besides the path of single minded devotion, Annamayya preached ways of selfless service, caring for animals, obedience to nature, love for humanity to reach the Lord. Faithful to his preachings, she is rendering service programmes in a unique way.

No art form can fulfil its aim, if people intended for it do not form part of its promotion. In this direction, she is coaching hundreds of people 'free of cost' which is a unique way of promoting Annamayya sankeerthanas. She has also taken up about 24 innovative projects such as-Annamayya at every household, Annamayya for all, Annamayya, the progressive thinker. Such projects as these have not been attempted by any one so far.

Through 'e - Annamayya' project, training in keerthanas is being done through Internet for the first time in the world by her.

Under the 'Seva - Annamayya' project service and welfare programmes for animal protection, conservation of Nature, welfare of blind and orphan children etc are being taken up by her.

Following the untrodden path, Jyothirmaye chowdary in never before custom is striving hard to inculcate great values of Devotion, Service, Ethics in children - who are the real treasure of our Nation.

Parthasarathy is a teacher of English Literature, translator, editor and critic. He is a devout devotee of Lord Venkateswara .Besides listening to a good number of Annamacharya Sankeerthana, he studies them as pieces of poetry/ verses/ lyrics. He has written commentary on a few Sankeerthanas bringing out the aspects of Bhakti (Devotion), Jnana (Wisdom), Prabodha (Preaching), Seva(Service), Neethi (Ethics), and so on. If one has to know Lord Venkateswara , one has to follow Annamayya. In this direction, Parthasarathy renders his humble service to the promotion of Annamacharya sankeerthanas.

# ANNAMAYYA QUIPS & QUOTES

1. A wavery mind cannot grasp the essence of education and secrets of science.
2. Is it of any use to water the tips of a plant leaving the roots dry? Similarly, ignoring the God within you, what use is to look for him here and there?
3. Everything that is done with Purity of Mind, Word and Deed (Trikaranas) shall be approved by Lord and it shall be beneficial to world.
4. Everything in this creation is momentary and the life is only a mystery. Despite knowing this, the wavery mind entangles to desires and follows unfair means. The layers of ignorance around mind have to be removed, only then a person attains real freedom.

5. There is nothing more horrible than a living of servility. It is better to live a free life as an animal or a bird or even as a tree in a forest.

6. One who robs or steals is not the thief; but the miser who does not spend for good deeds is the real thief.

7. Tradition does not mean drinking salt water from the well dug by the forefathers. It is to bear the good of the past as a torch for our search for truth.

8. Even as the society is ridden with ignorance, injustice, poverty; the rulers, instead of redeeming it , are trying to exploit it.

9. The rulers who are drunk with the earthly pleasures, are in the drought of Spiritual and Eternal knowledge.



10. Why does man, who cannot create life; who cannot breath life into even an ant; harm all life around him?

11. Even a coin given by those who sacrifice is much more valuable than a crore of rupees given by those doing so for fame.

12. Stones - Trees - Animals - Men is the order of development in the levels of awareness. However, the roots of nature are same. No creature is harmful or dangerous as we presume. Often, some men behave more harmfully than those creatures.

13. What use is it being born a man without wisdom? What use is having a heart without kindness? What use is it being rich without any charity? What use is it being educated without making any peace? What use is

speaking without a soft tongue? What use is possessing mind without pondering about Lord?

14. Army alone cannot protect a country. Dharma (Righteousness) protects. However, the rulers and the subjects shall have to preserve Dharma, only then dharma shall protect them.

15. Many calamities such as drought, floods etc are not natural. They are resultants of the lack of foresight of our rulers and the ignorant acts of the people.

16. When men fulfil their duties appropriately, Nature shall follow its course absolutely.

17. It is inhuman to sacrifice or to make offerings by killing innocent animals. Butchering an animal to please a Goddess in fairs is a



great sin. Goddess is kind and merciful. Bloodshed is never desired by her .

18. There is nothing like an upper caste or a lower caste. The king is not great, nor the attendant is low. Elephant is not superior to dog. Every creature - Man or animal, learned or illiterate, rich or poor shall have to receive the light from the same sun.

19. The differences of races etc pertain to the physical body. Aatma (the soul)within is sanctified. It is infallible and not vulnerable. Knowledge of eternal from which Dharma originates, knowledge of Lord Hari and Reciting his holy names are the real pillars for a righteous race.

20. Character is more important than caste. The qualitites of the Godly caste are - speaking

truth; following righteous path; wishing the welfare of others; loving all life in any form and supporting it; devotion to Lord Hari.

21. The waves in a sea are incessant, so are the desires in our mind. It is unwise to wait for the waves to stop for bathing in a sea, and so to wait for the cessation of desires to know God.

22. Those who close the threshold of heart in the name of Atheism, can never understand Godliness.

23. Why get frustrated to feed the body by all unfair means. This earthly desire has to be given up and mind has to be tuned to serve the Lord.

24. One should know the God's form besides the forms of Life. Following the paths of



Jnana(Wisdom), Bhakti (Devotion), Vairagya (Renunciation) with faith in Guru (Master) and surrender to Lord Sri Venkateswara is the secret of Bliss.

25. Lord Hari, the Omniscient knows all lives.

26. Sankeerthana (Holy Recitation) mitigates despair and elevates happiness; it protects all.

27. Birth and Death are only realities. Rest is all a play. Men and Women are characters of this play who are directed by the Lord Venkateswara.

28. Lord Vishnu's Namam(Name) is a panacea; it heals the ailing mind and comforts it; it cures all corporeal ailments; it fortifies us in earthly and heavenly matters.

29. It is desirable to attain Moksha (Realisation) by serving Lord Venkateswara instead of living a servile life serving a man.

30. Surrender to Lord Venkateswara is the only way to unchain the earthly bonds and desires, which we forged around ourselves.

31. When God is awake, the universe is awake. Let us pray to Lord Srinivasa to awake who is a saviour for us.

32. Never should we offer wine and meat to God. It is against Godliness.

33. Every devotee who walks up the Tirumala Hills is the worshipper of Lord's Holy feet.

34. It is Lord Venkateswara who preaches, 'what one's duty' is to all.



35. Where a king craves for the money that belongs to God, that country shall meet with bleak future.

36. The Seven Sins (Lust, Wrath, Penury, Desire, Temptation, Arrogance, Envy) are greater dangers than any physical enemy.

37. The devotees of Hari need not bend their heads before any man as master.

38. Can one, who feels great to blow a candle off, kindle a candle to light the darkness?

39. Lord Sri Venkateswara is the Father and Goddess Alamelu Manga is the Mother of entire Creation. Service to life in any form is service to Srinivasa.

40. Service to Lord Venkateswara is to serve all the living forms. By serving those who are disabled, we can derive his grace.

41. The hand that protects all is the Hand of Lord Sri Venkateswara (His Abhaya Hastam).

42. One who knows Lord Hari and lives in his worship is the blessed one irrespective of his birth or lineage.

43. It is better to trust the maker of men (Lord Hari) than men made by Him.

44. It is said that in Kritha yuga through meditation; in Tretayuga through rituals and in Dwapara Yuga through worship devotees could reach God. But in Kaliyuga (the Era now) through Sankeerthana (Recitation), we can derive the grace of Lord Srinivasa.

45. Sankeerthana brings out godliness in a devotee. He becomes universal in his outlook. He shall, then, be able to love all cre-



ation. Voilence has no room where love reigns. A devotee transforms into an embodiment of love. In other words, sankeerthana is non-voilence and peaceful state.

46. Sankeerthana promotes rightful deeds. They are the two sides of a coin, that should co-exist hand in hand for the Universal welfare.

47. The standards of Kaliyuga preach that we should worship God through Sankeerthana. It is that which mitigates all pain and suffering.

48. The Names of Lord are Omnipotent. Sankeerthana of Lord's names is the way of Kaliyuga. Vedas have done the same. They praised the Lord who is the source of all characteristics (Gunas).

49. Sankeerthana dispels despair and provides bliss; preserves all animals; protects Nature. It is the shield of protection for everything in Universe.

50. It is unwise to blame God for our failures or sorrows.He is always a provider for us. But it is our deserving that decides how much we would receive from him.

51. Lord Venkateswara is the great treasure given to us by our learned ancestors.

52. God is what we ought to be.

53. For a devotee who attains oneness with Lord Venkateswara, He becomes the devotee's inner as well as outer self.

54. The mysterious and adorable ways of Lord Venkateswara give various forms and positions to the aatma (Jeevudu).

55. "Devotion to nature and life is devotion to Lord"



## Glimpses of 'Seva-Annamayya' Service Activities

Caring for ....



the Animals



the Plants





the Disabled



the Under-previlaged

## Caring for ....



the Aged

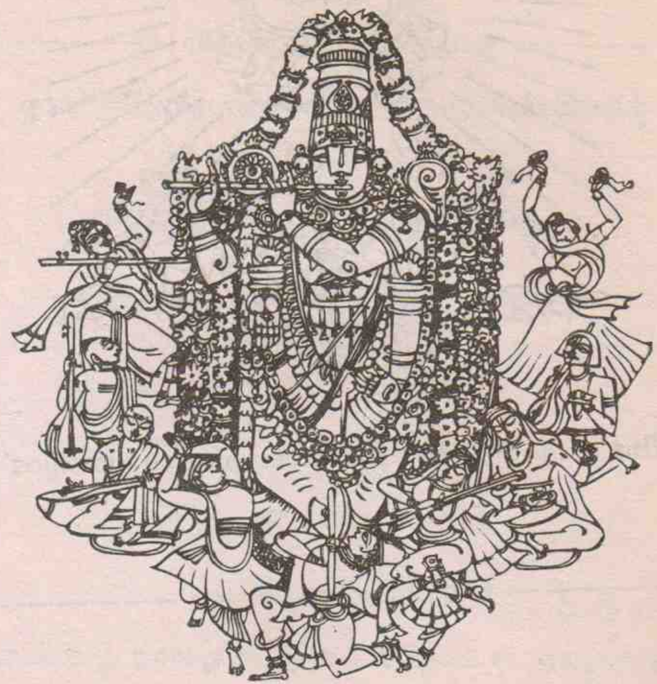


the Games



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